

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2000-201-C - ORDER NO. 2003-710

DECEMBER 9, 2003

IN RE:	Application of Metromedia Fiber Network)	ORDER APPROVING
	Services, Inc. for a Certificate of Public)	CHANGE OF COMPANY
	Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local)	NAME
	Exchange Service, Exchange Access Service,)	
	and Intrastate Interexchange Facilities-Based)	
	and Resold Telecommunications Services.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") by way of a request filed by Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc. ("MFNS" or the "Company") to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by a change in the Company's name. By its request, MFNS seeks Commission approval to change the Company's name from MFNS to AboveNet Communications, Inc. ("AboveNet"). A review of the docket file reveals that MFNS was granted authority to provide local exchange and intrastate interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina by Commission Order No. 2000-660, dated August 15, 2000.

Pursuant to the instructions of the Commission's Executive Director, MFNS published a Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the Company's service area. The Company filed affidavits showing that it had complied with the instructions of the Commission's Executive Director. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene were filed in this matter.

According to MFNS, the change of the Company's name is a result of the transfer of control of MFNS from its corporate parent, Metromedia Fiber Network, Inc., Debtor-In-Possession ("MFN"), to a newly reorganized MFN (now renamed, AboveNet, Inc.). MFNS states that the transfer of control was consummated in accordance with a plan of reorganization for the emergence of MFNS from Chapter 11 bankruptcy, approved by the bankruptcy court on August 21, 2003. MFNS attaches to its request as Exhibit A, copies of the Company's amended Articles of Incorporation and the amended qualification of MFNS to transact business within the State of South Carolina.

MFNS asserts that the Company's name change will not result in a change in the Company offering telecommunications services to South Carolina consumers or in the telecommunications services, rates, terms and conditions of service currently being offered to MFNS's South Carolina consumers. Therefore, according to MFNS, the change of the Company's name will have no adverse impact on current customers of MFNS in South Carolina. Further, MFNS maintains that all customers have been notified of the reorganization and the change of the Company's name from MFNS to AboveNet. In order to avoid customer confusion or inconvenience, MFNS adds that written notification of the name change was provided to all of MFNS's current customers not less than thirty (30) days prior to the name change.

Lastly, MFNS states that the existing tariff of MFNS on file with the Commission has been revised to reflect the Company's name change. MFNS attaches as Exhibit B to its request, a copy of the tariff title sheet bearing the Company's new name, AboveNet

Communications, Inc., and MFNS requests that the revised tariff become effective on the date of the Commission's approval of the Company's name change.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on December 2, 2003, the Commission reviewed the case before it and after due consideration, the Commission concludes that the Request of MFNS for approval of a change of name should be granted. Accordingly, the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted to MFNS should be amended to reflect its new name.

The Commission therefore grants the following name change:

FROM: Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc.

TO: AboveNet Communications, Inc.

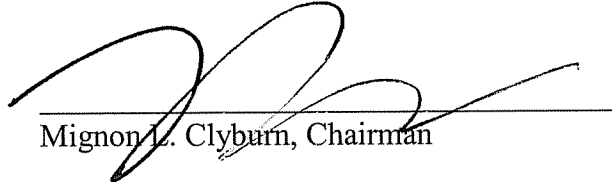
The Commission's records will hereby reflect the change of the name of the Company.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:


1. Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc.'s request for approval of the Company's change of name from Metromedia Fiber Network Services, Inc. to AboveNet Communications, Inc. is approved.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:


Bruce F. Duke, Acting Executive Director

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